

19 January 1959

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Robert W. Smart, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services  
Committee Staff**

1. Met with Mr. Smart on 19 January 1959 on another matter. During the visit I inquired how the selection of the Subcommittee for CIA was progressing. He replied that it seemed to be going well, that the Chairman did not propose to discuss either the CIA Subcommittee or the Policy Committee at the organization meeting to be held in the next day or so. Therefore, it is hoped the matter will not be brought up specifically and when the time comes for a CIA Subcommittee meeting the Chairman will informally call only the two senior members on each side of the House to make up a five-man Subcommittee.

2. Mr. Smart suggested that we delay for a short time any efforts to brief the CIA Subcommittee. Mr. Smart was also advised that we had been called upon to brief the Mahon Defense Appropriations Subcommittee on the 21st of January.

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